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Kirsten Pabst, Missoula County Attorney
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Dear Kirsten:

I am writing to confirm the conclusion of the memorandum of understanding between the Montana Attorney General's Office and the Missoula County Attorney's Office, signed June 10, 2014. In March, our office issued a final report pursuant to this agreement. We continued to receive basic prosecution data from your office through June 2016, which we forwarded to our technical advisor, Anne Munch. As a capstone to the agreement, Ms. Munch wrote a final letter dated June 27, 2016, that summarized the work done and progress made throughout the agreement.

Now that we have reached the conclusion of this agreement, I would like to congratulate you and your staff on your great success in improving sexual assault prosecutions in Missoula County. You have made dramatic improvements in the pace of prosecution of these cases, services to victims, and in the overall administrative structure in handling these cases. Your office, along with your colleagues in the Missoula community, represent a model we can all look to in how to better ensure victims are treated appropriately and perpetrators of sexual assault are brought to justice.

It has been a pleasure working with you over the term of the agreement. I look forward to further cooperation between our offices as we continue our work to improve the investigation and prosecution of sexual assault crimes in Montana.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Fox".

TIM FOX
Attorney General of Montana